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| Title      | : MARTENSITIC STAINLESS |                   |             |
|            | : STEEL PIPE            |                   |             |

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**RESPONSE**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 19, 2010, the Applicants amend the application as follows: